

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-10, 12-30, and add claim 31 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A communication ~~system~~system, comprising:
a presence information unit configured to provide presence information associated
with a plurality of users said presence information comprising a plurality of elements;
~~with which presence information is associated, said presence information~~
~~comprising a plurality of parts;~~
~~means for storing~~a storing unit configured to store information defining at least
one group, said group containing a plurality of ~~users,~~ users; and
~~means for providing~~an information providing unit configured to provide
information defining for said at least one user of said group ~~what~~ which parts ~~elements~~ of
said presence information ~~are to be provided~~ to said at least one user.

2. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said ~~parts~~
defined elements of said presence information ~~is~~ are provided to ~~at a~~ requester in
response to request from said requester.

3. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 2, wherein said requester is
at least one of said plurality of said users.

4. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in ~~claim 2~~claim 2, wherein said ~~defined elements~~ parts of said presence information ~~is~~are available only to one requester or to a plurality of requesters.

5. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 2, wherein said defined elements ~~parts~~ of said presence information provided ~~is~~are dependent on the identity of the requester.

6. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 5, further comprising ~~means for determining a~~ determining unit configured to determine the identity of the requester making said request.

7. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said ~~storing~~ means storing unit comprises a presence server.

8. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said ~~means for providing information~~ providing unit configured to provide said information comprises a storage unit. ~~means.~~

9. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 8, wherein said ~~means for~~ storing storing unit and said ~~providing means~~ information providing unit are provided by a common storage unit. ~~means.~~

10. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said ~~means for~~ providing information providing unit configured to provide said information comprises one of said users.

11. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein a separate address is provided for each of a plurality of groups.

12. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in ~~claim 1~~ claim 1, wherein said users comprise user equipment.

13. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said presence information comprises at least one of the following ~~parts~~ elements of information:

~~Subscriber status~~ subscriber status; ~~Network status~~ network status; communication ~~mean~~ type; ~~Contact address~~ contact address; ~~Subscriber provided location~~ subscriber provided location; ~~Network provided location~~ network provided location; text; priority; mood; ~~and favourite colour~~ favorite color.

14. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said providing means ~~unit is configured to provided~~ provides information as to the ~~parts~~ elements of said presence information required.

15. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said ~~providing means~~ information providing unit ~~provides~~ is configured to provide information as to the ~~parts~~ elements of said presence information not required.

16. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the ~~parts~~ elements of the presence information to be obtained ~~is~~ are the same for all of at least one group.

17. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the ~~parts~~ elements of the presence information to be obtained are different for at least two users in at least one group.

18. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the system operates in accordance with a session initiation ~~protocol~~ (SIP) protocol.

19. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 18, wherein said request for said presence information is made in a ~~SUBSCRIBE~~ subscribe request.

20. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the ~~providing~~
~~means~~information providing unit comprise a ~~SIP-SUBSCRIBE~~session initiation protocol
subscribe message.

21. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said storing
~~means-unit~~ is ~~arranged~~configured to receive presence information from the users of said
group.

22. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 21, wherein said storing
~~means-unit~~ is ~~arranged~~configured to provide the ~~parts~~elements of the presence
information to be provided.

23. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein an entity
associated with a user or a user of the group is ~~arranged~~configured to provide ~~to the parts~~
elements of the presence information to be provided.

24. (Original) A system as claimed in claim 23, wherein said entity comprises a
presence server.

25. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said storing ~~means-unit~~ is arranged configured to add said ~~parts~~ elements of presence information to a request sent to said user or an entity associated with said user.

26. (Currently Amended) A system as claimed in claim 2, ~~wherein~~ wherein when said storage ~~means-unit~~ receives a request from said requester, said storage ~~means~~ inserts ~~unit is configured to insert~~ the elements ~~parts~~ of presence information into a request sent to said user or an entity associated with said user.

27. (Currently Amended) A communication ~~method comprising the steps~~ of method, comprising:

defining at least one group, said group containing a plurality of users with which presence information is associated, said presence information comprising a plurality of ~~parts~~ elements, and

defining for said at least one user of said group ~~what~~ which elements ~~parts~~ of said presence information ~~are to be provided~~.

28. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 27, further comprising:
~~comprising the step of~~ filtering the presence information for at least one user of the group to obtain the defined ~~parts~~ elements of said presence information.

29. (Currently Amended) A method as claimed in claim 27, ~~comprising the step of~~further comprising:

requesting for at least one user of said group said defined ~~parts~~elements of said presence information.

30. (Currently Amended) A communications ~~entity~~entity, comprising:
~~means for storing~~a storing unit configured to store first information defining at least one group,

wherein said group ~~containing~~comprises a plurality of users with which presence information is associated, and

wherein said presence information ~~comprising~~comprises a plurality of ~~parts~~elements, and second information defining for said at least one user of said group ~~what~~which ~~parts~~elements of said presence information ~~are~~ to be provided.

31. (New) A communication system, comprising:
presence information providing means for providing presence information associated with a plurality of users, said presence information comprising a plurality of elements;

storing means for storing information defining at least one group, said group containing a plurality of users; and

information providing means for providing information defining for said at least one user of said group elements of said presence information to be provided.